

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 465

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Carrie Leann Hensley,
2007 Valedictorian of Big Sandy High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Leann Hensley is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2007 graduating class at Big Sandy High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Carrie Hensley has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Hensley earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the softball team, which she served as Captain; the cheerleading squad; Art Club; Youth Leadership; the Leo Club; Beta Club, which she served as Vice President; Spanish III Club; Biology II Club; Calculus Club, which she served as Vice President; Project Graduation; the Yearbook staff; and the Prom Committee; and

WHEREAS, she has also served as a Prom Server, a Class Officer; an Office Assistant, a Teacher's Assistant; and the bookkeeper for the basketball team; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Ms. Hensley garnered the National Leadership Merit Award, was named an All-American Scholar and a Softball Scholar Athlete, gained inclusion to the Honor Roll and the National Honor Roll, was nominated as Miss Big Sandy High School, was voted as "Most Likely to Succeed" by her peers, and garnered Most Outstanding

class awards in English I and II, Algebra I and II, Spanish I, Biology I, Geometry, and World History; and

WHEREAS, her commitment to excellence is not limited to the classroom; she was rewarded for her ability on the softball field with a nomination to the All-District Softball Team; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hensley's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at the University of Tennessee, where she plans to major in Pre-Pharmacy; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Hensley's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Tim and Sherry Hensley, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hensley's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2007 Big Sandy High School Valedictorian, Carrie Leann Hensley, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.